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Sir:


I make this declaration for the purpose of establishing that the publication which has been cited in the above identified application as Velucchi et al., Journal of Endotoxin Research (1997) 4(4) 261-272, is solely based on my inventive ideas and the other listed authors did not contribute to the original ideas and inventive subject matter set forth in that publication.

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